

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION 10

1200 Sixth Avenue Seattle, WA 98101

December 8, 2005

Reply to

Attn Of: ECL-115

Steve Penland, Division Manager Habitat Management Division Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife 600 Capitol Way North Olympia, Washington 98501-1091

Dear Mr. Penland:

The purpose of this letter it to request information that will enable the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to complete site assessment activities under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, pertinent to the Larson Air Force Base Titan Missile S-3 site located near Royal City, Washington, at latitude 46°54'30" north and longitude 119°54'30" west, Willamette Meridian (see enclosed map). The EPA is requesting the following information relating to sensitive environments for the Larson Air Force Base Titan Missile S-3 site.

Using the table provided below, please indicate which species/habitats exist within 15-miles downstream of the site by waterway for each surface water body within that 15-mile distance; and also within each of the following radial distance rings:

0 to ¼ mile of the site.

1/4 to 1/2 mile of the site.

½ to 1 mile of the site.

1 to 2 miles of the site.

2 to 3 miles of the site.

3 to 4 miles of the site.

SENSITIVE ENVIRONMENT

Critical habitata for Federal designated endangered or threatened species

Habitat known to be used by Federal designated or proposed endangered or threatened species

Spawning areas critical^b for the maintenance of fish/shellfish species within river, lake or coastal tidal waters

SENSITIVE ENVIRONMENT

Habitat known to be used by State designated endangered or threatened species Habitat known to be used by species under review as to its Federal endangered or

threatened status

Particular areas, relatively small in size, important to maintenance of unique biotic communities

State designated areas for protection or maintenance of aquatic life^c

We greatly appreciate your continued assistance and attention to our information needs. Please send the responsive information, at your earliest convenience, preferably by January 9, 2006, to Ecology & Environment, Inc., 2101 Fourth Avenue, Suite 1900, Seattle, WA 98121, Attn: Linda Foster.

If you or your staff have any questions regarding the table provided, please feel free to contact Ms. Foster of Ecology & Environment, Inc., an authorized contractor for the EPA at (206) 389-0219. Other questions can be directed to me at (206) 553-1078.

Sincerely,

Sylvia Kawabata, Unit Manager Site Assessment and Cleanup Unit 2 Office of Environmental Cleanup

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Enclosure

cc: Linda Foster, Ecology & Environment, Inc.-Seattle

a Critical habitat as defined in 50 CFR 424.12.

b Limit to areas described as being used for intense or concentrated spawning by a given species.

^c Areas designated under Section 305(a) of Clean Water Act, as amended.



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Hello Steve -

I have asked Linda Foster, an authorized EPA contractor, to mail to you the map for Larson AFB Titan Missile S-3.

We greatly appreciate your assistance on this.

Fincerely,
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